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FOR: SMALL INTERFERING RNA SPECIFIC TO SUB-UNITS α , α' AND β OF THE

KINASE PROTEIN CK2, AND THE APPLICATIONS OF THE SAME

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 10, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

A discussion of the Support for the Amendments begins on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.